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Dear Dr. Talmage:

I would be greatly indebted to you for a set of reprints of your publications, especially those which bear on general theories of the mechanism of antibody formation. I am enclosing a discussion that may help prove to you how helpful sound information in this field might be for me.

As you can readily judge, this is a new line of interest and I am still groping around for useful approaches.

More seriously, I wonder if we can create an occasion for a more measured discussion of your views. Would there be any possibility of inducing you to visit Madison some time during the next several months to talk to us about them? I hardly need say we would be happy to cover your expenses.

Yours very sincerely,

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Professor of Medical Genetics

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